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FOR THEIR LIVES.

Fhe Alleged Filibusterers are of Trial at Havana.

CLAIMS BY COMPETITOR'S CREW

Are that they were Forced Against Their Will to Convey the Members of the Ex pedition to Cuba-All the Prisoners Classed as Traitors-Laborde Stoutly Declares He Did Not Sign the Papers Cap pared on the Schooner-News from the

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HAVANA. May 8.—The trial by
continuatial of the men captured on
board the American schooner Competitor of Key West, Florida, by the Spanish gunboat Mensajera, on April 23, be

ish gunboat Mensajera, on April 23, began in the court of justice at the navy yard here shortly before 8 o'clock this morning. Alfredo Laborde was the first of the prisoners examined. Laborde testified that he was thirtynine years of age and that he came from New Orleans. He said that he left Key West with twenty-four passengers, who, at Cape Sable, obliged him to put in towards the shore and forced him to take on board arms, ammunition and explosives, saying that they would transfer this material to a steamer which would meet them at steamer which would meet them as seamer which would meet so the spanish gunboat although the man on shore did so.

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When the prisoner was questioned regarding an insurgent flag which was found on board the schooner, he said that it belonged to one of his passengers, a man named Quesada, who was among the drowned.

Dr. Elius Bedia was next called. Bedia declared that he had repeatedly refused to take part in any expedition to Cuba, and that he merely went on board the schooner Competitor in order to say good-bye to some friends refused to allow him to go ashore and when the schooner left, those friends refused to allow him to go ashore and when they landed in the coast of Cuba, he. Bedia, not being desirous of landing, remained on board the Competitor until she was captured and he was, nade prisoner. He said they did not hots the national flag.
Teodoro Mata was the next prisoner brought forward. He declared he went on board the Competitor in order to see the expedition leave and that the men on board other hem.

William Glidca then testified. He de-

men on board obliged him to go with them.
William Gilden then testified. He declared he was like Mata, compelled by the others on board to accompany the expedition, although he had only gone to sees them start, and for this reason, he added, he did not land.
John Milton, the fifth prisoner, was then called up, and he declared that he also had been compelled against his will to accompany the expedition, which he had gone to see start.
The prosecutor classed all the prisoners as traitors and assisting in the insurraction. The schooner was classed as a pirate worth about \$4,000, and having on board an insurgent flag valued at one cent.

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As to Laborde, the prosecutor pointed out that he was the man who had signed the proclamation found on board the schooner when he was captured.

Referring to Bedia, the prosecutor said he was well treated while on hoard and was believed to have been the object of the expedition.

The commander of the Mensajera, Lieut, Butron, further testified that while pursains the insurgents in a boat with six men, some of the fillbusterers were drowned and two were captured while in the water. The men made prisoners in the water were Laborde and Gildea. The other three prisoners were captured on board the schooner.

The pilot of the Mensajera and the rew of that gunboat declared that at the time the schooner was captured the was not showing any flag.

In his defense, Laborde firmly declared that he had not written or received the jetters and other papers found on heard, and he had not etamed the processor.

the king of Spain, the prosecutor asked that the death sentence be imposed on all the prisoners.

Lieut, Pardu, for the defense, said that he did not consider the prisoners should be treated as being all equality guilty. For instance, he said, it seemed clear that Laborde and Bedia were more guilty than Milton and Glidea, and that Milton was only guilty of excessive zeal in trying to obtain information.

Admiral Navarro approved of the death sentence being imposed.

The court martial adjourned for the day at 12 o'clock without having arrived at a judgment on the cases.

Word received from the province of Santiago de Cuba is to the effect that General Munox has destroyed an insurgent camp consisting of 200 huts at Cauto Embarcadero. It is also learned that Colonel Tejeda in the Santiago zone attacked the intrenched camp of Jose Macco, which was held by numerous bands. The insurgents were disloged, leaving ten killed. The troops pursued them and overtook Macco's rear guard, killing seven insurgents. Of the troops, two were killed and seven were wounded.

"Official" Report of Losses.

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NEW YORK, May 8.—A dispatch to the World from Madrid says: Acording to the Spanish official figures the Cuban insurgent casualites from the beginning of the Insurrection February 24. 1895, to December 31, 1895, were: Killed, 28 chiefs, 1,190 men; wounded, 254, prisoners, 4 chiefs, 128 men. During the first four months of 1896 they are reported to be; Killed, 37 chiefs, 2,955 men; wounded, 29 chiefs, 1,618 men; prisoners, 29 chiefs, 330 men; besides 14 chiefs and 670 men who came in and surrendered with their arms. The total number of horses taken from the insurgents is given as 4,567. These Spanish official statistics admit that the royal forces have, lost in killed and "Official" Report of Losses royal forces have lost in Milled and those who died of wounds or disease 3 seneral, 29 field officers, 272 officers and 4,592 men up to the end of March, 194, which does not include the heavy casualties in April.

Closely Watched at Washington

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Congressmen Need Thom in Vacation and Vote to Have Them All Year-House Proceedings.
WASHINGTON, May 8.—The mem-

washing to, as s.—Ine members of the house to-day voted themselves \$100 per month for clerk hire during the recesses of Congress. Under a resolution passed by the Fifty-second Congress the members of subsequent Congresses received \$100 per month for clerk hire during the sessions. To-day the proposition to extend this allowance to members during the recesses of Congress came up in the form of the Hartman resolution adversely reported from the committee. It occasioned some very sharp debate. It had the support of Mr. Cannon, the chairman of the appropriations committee, but was opposed by Mr. Dingley, the floor leader of the majority. Mr. Aldrich (Rep., Ill.) and it would involve an additional expenditure of \$215,000 per annum. The resolution was amended so as to except members chairmen of committees having annual clerks, and as modified was passed, 130 to 108.

An analysis of the vote showed that 114 Republicans, 15 Democrats and 1 sliverite voted for it and 53 Republicans, 83 Democrats and 1 Populist voted against it.

The house agreed that when it adjourn to-day it be to meet on Monday. Bills were passed to quiet title to lands in persons who purchased the same in good faith without notice and for a valuable consisteration, and to enable the government to issue patents on such lands; and to establish a life saving station at Point Bonita, Golden Gate, Cal.

On motion of Mr. Stable (Rep., Pa.) a resolution was passed requesting the President to inform the house what, if anything, had been done to carry out the provision in last year's sundry civil bill directing him to negotiate with Great Britain for the abrogation or modification of the existing regulations of that government which require the slaughter of cattle imported from the United States at the port of entry.

A bill was passed to appropriate \$5,000 for the deportation of the Canadian refugee Creek Indians from the state of Montana. There are about 500 of these Indians. They have been in Montana since the close of the Riei rebellion. bers of the house to-day voted themselves \$100 per month for clerk hire dur-

bellion.

The pension bills favorably acted upon at the last Friday night session were taken up and passed.

At 4:30 p. m. the house took a recess until 8 o'clock, the evening session being devoted to the consideration of pri-

Twenty-two private pension bills were favorably acted upon at the night session of the house.

IN THE SENATE.

Rivers and Harbors Bill Completed all but One Section. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—The river and harbor bill was completed in the senate, to-day with the exception of the item for a deep sea harour of the item for a deep sea harour of predictions. This has aroused keen opposition, the two California senators opposing the proposed contract appropriation of \$1,088,000 for a harbor at it is a project fostered by the Southern Pacific railroad, as against public sentiment and the recommendations of two boards of army engineers. Mr. White, of California, commented on the extraordinary condition by which the commerce committee of the senate was forcing an appropriation on a state of the item for a deep sea harbor on the Pacific coast. This has aroused keen forcing an appropriation on a stat against the wishes of its senators, rep resentatives and people.

THE ALABAMA CASE.

Minority Report Opposes the Resolution for an Investigation.
- WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—Sena--WASHINGTON, D. C., May S.—Senator Gray from the committee on privileges and elections to-day submitted the report of the minority of that committee on the resolution providing for an investigation of the Alabama election, opposing the adoption of the resolution. Referring to the assertion of the majority of the committee that many thousand colored voters in the "black belt" failed to register on account of circulars sent out by the Republican state chalman. the report says it is incredible that so many of them as is alleged should have obeyed the order of one man.

The resolution is characterized as a sweeping one, fixing no limitation of the power of the senate and the report asks if this "select committee can go

on the report says that "the pre clusion the report says that the pre-cense that Mr. Reese is a bona-fide con-testant is a manifest fiction un-worthy of any serious consideration."

The report is signed by Senators Gray, Pugh, Turple and Palmer, who constitute the entire Democratic mem-pership of the committee.

GOVERNOR M'CORKLE

aks for the Nicaraguan Canal Before

the House Committee on Commerce. WASHINGTON, D. C., May &.-Gov WASHINGTON, D. C., May S.—Gov. MacCorkle, of West Virginia, appeared before the house committee on commerce to-day to advocate the construction of the Nicaragua canal. He spoke in behalf of the coal intersts of his own and adjacent states, declaring that the section he represents would be able to control the coal markets of the Pacific coast of North and South America with the shipping facilities which would be afforded by the canal. At present all coal used on the Pacific coast, he stated, is mined in Australia, Japan and Vanismined in Australia and Vanismined in Australia and Vanismined in Australia and Vanismined in Australia. coat used on the Pacinic coast, he suited, is mined in Australia, Japan and Van-couver. He predicted that with the advancement of the Japanese they would monopolize the coal business of the coast unless the canal should be built, when the freight rates would enable West Virginia to undersell the Japanese.

Confessed to the Murder.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May S.—All doubt concerning the murderer of Effise Kreglo, the sixteen-year-old daughter of a tenant farmer on the outskirts of the city, just beyond the zoological park, who was brutally killed while defending her honor Menday afternous, has been removed. Irwin V. Ford, the negro whom the polleg captured yesterday at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., after a tow days' scarch, confessed to the detectives to-day that he committed the crime. The murder was a shocking one.

NOT ALL PAID

But It May be Before the July Convention Meets.

THE CHICAGO COMMITTEE PAYS

An fustallment of the Guarantee Fund t Chairman Harrity, of the Democratic Committee-Still Fifteen Thousand Dol lars Short, However-Mr. Harrity Says the Convention will Not be Withdraws From Chicago, Notwithstanding Car

CHICAGO, May 8.-Chairman Harmitte, with S. P. Sheerin, of Indiana ley, of Kentucky, and Ben T. Cable, of mittee of the national committee, came mittee of the national committee, came to Chicago to-day and went into session at the Wellington hotel. They were joined at noon by Joseph Donnersberger and A. A. Goodrich, of the local committee. Mr. Donnersberger handed a check to Mr. Harrity for \$15,000 which, with the \$10,000 already paid, \$18,000 yet to be paid.

"When you visit us next, will be cleared,"
An agreement was come to by which another meeting of the sub-committee will be held in this city at the Auditorium, toward the end of the month, when Mr. Donnersberger will hand over the final check.

than Chicago, is bosh. There was not a syllable in the letter I wrote to the members of the local committee a few days ago, on which such a rumor could possibly have been lase. I'.

There has been considerable lab lately to the effect that the convention would be held in some other city, owing to the difficulty experienced by the local committee in making good the marantee of \$40,000 which was agreal to be paid the national committee at the time the convention was fixed for Chicago.

The committee has had some trouble collecting the money and it has been reported that the national committee was considering the money and it has been reported that the national committee was considering the matter of receiving bids from other cities, and that the convention might be called elsewhere.

After the financial affair had been adjusted, the committee, in conjunction with Colonel Martin, of St. Louis, the segments at arms of the convention, and F. C. Canda, the Coliseum architect, list-led to suga- 1076 for telegraphic arrangements from representatives of the Wertern Union and Postal telegraph companies. Mr. Canda also submitted a report it rofe value to the number of the Wertern Union and Postal telegraph companies. Mr. Canda also submitted a report it rofe value to the number of colonel Martin, '...l a report, teo, in regard to assistant sergeant-at-arms.

EXPRESIDENT HARRISON.

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His Absence from the Convention Shower

His Sincerity.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 8.-F. T. Roots, the Indiana politician who pre-sided during the greater part of yes-Roots, the Indiana politician who presided during the greater part of yesterday's convention, and who is very close to the ex-President, made to-day the following statement regarding the significance of yesterday's action: "The question has been frequently asked what significance attaches to Mr. Harrison's absence 'from the convention. In answer it may be said his absence is a confirmation of his statement, there never has been an hour since I left the white house that I desired to return to it,' and further frees him from the charge made of insincerity. "In answer to the question 'What will be the effect of the resolution instructing for McKinley," it can be truly said that it must be beneficial for all concerned. First, it is a truthful reflection of the sentiment of the voters of Indiana concerning McKinley which has crystalized since Mr. Harrison's letter of February last, and if the unexpected should happen at St. Louis and there should be acall for the ex-President, he would be in a position to accept such a call and the followers of McKinley would become the supporters of Gen. Harrison, since Indiana, in no uncertain terms, has instructed and declared for McKinley at her state convention."

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Verment Prohibitionists.

MONTPELIER, Vt., May 8.—The state Prohibition convention was held here last night and these nominations were made:

For governor, Rodney C, Whitemore; lieutenant governor, Gov. L. C. Wyman; presidential electors at large, H. C. Barnes and Dr. C. B. Wilson; congressional, Prof. H. M. Steele, Dr. L. W. Harrison; delegates to the national convention, H. C. Barnes, C. W. Wyman, Rodney Whitemore, Rev. George L. Storey, F. H. Shepard, C. M. Winchester, G. W. Morrow, B. A. Beatty and D. A. Kneeland.

Republican Club Organized.

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Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 8.—A
Republican club was organized here tonight with seventy-eight charter members. David Gideon is temporary secreary. The name of the club will be
decided on at the next metting and permanent officers elected.

Breitenhart's Body Found.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 8 .- Th body of Henry Breitenhart, who left home Saturday, sending a note to his nome Saturoay, senoing a note to me wife saying he would commit suicide, was found in Kanawha river this morning. He was a stone mason aged fitty-five, and leaves a wife and five children. He had been on a spree and his relations with his family had been unpleasant for years.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer, WESTON, W. Va., May 8.—Over an old grudge Bub Curtis slipped up be hind a young man named Carter and struck him in the head with a stone, fracturing his skull and cutting a deep gash. The sheriff with a warrant is now after Curtis, who has skipped.

An Auxious Mother.

ten-year-old son of George Rateliffe is ten-year-old son of George Fatchine is supposed to have left with the Fore-paugh-Sells circus a week ago. Tele-graphic inquiry to different points has failed to ellet a reply. The mother in almost deranged with anxiety.

PITTSHURGH, Pa., May 8.—The littsburgh Orchestra, which was made-cossible through the munificence of An-rew Carnegie, closed its first season tonight. The orchestra, under the tion of Frederick Archer, has been ing a series of concerts during the ter in Carnegie Music Hall, an achieved an enviable reputation.

management and citizens are highly pleased over the successful venture. For next-senson even better results are promised, the aim being to make this city one of the principal music centres of the country.

WHEELING, W. VA., SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1896.

YANKEE PLUCK.

Tars from an American Gunboat Whip Twice Their Number of English Sailors

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.-Fighting with champagne bottles as a beginner and finishing with knives, a dozen o so of the tars of the United States gunboah Petrel whipped twice their veight in Britishers at Shanghai shortshe is now at anchor.

ish cruiser Spartan throwing its search light on the Petrel in such a manner that it was interpreted as an insult. Captain Emery wrote a cure note to the commander of the Spartan and in

The British tars started up the stairs, The British tars started up the stairs, but none of them reached she top. The door above them was suddenly opened and through it came showers of glasses, bottles and cases of champagne which had been stored in the little room. When everything that could be used as a weapon was gone the American sallors came flying down the stairs and the battle became a hand to hand conflict. Knives were drawn and used freely and the English forces were badly cut up. When they were finally routed half a dozen of their men lay bleeding on the sloor. The British consul subsequently held an official inquiry into the affair and the court decided against the British crew.

Of an Unknown Woman -A Brief Note

the Only Cine.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The body of an unknown woman was found in a bed room of the Colonnade hotel to-night. right side of the head and a revolver with one chamber discharged was on the bed. The woman registered at the hotel last night as Mrs. Everett, of Boston, Mass. The police are of the opinion that the name assumed by the woman was fictitious. She was handsomely dressed and wore expensive jewelry. The following unsigned note was found on a table in the room:

"Hereditary insanity, Please cremate and pay landlord for charges. Have no family, so beg that my wishes may be observed."

In the same envelope were found the advertisement of a cremation company and \$59 in bills.

EVIDENCE ALL IN

In the Scott Jackson Trial-Arguments

To-day. NEWPORT, Ky., May 8.—The end of the Scott Jackson trial is now near at hand. The commonwealth announced

Attempted Train Wrecking.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Officials of the Pennsylvania railroad at Jersey City were notified to-day that an attempt was made to wreck the fast train from Philadelphia last evening. When near Dean's station the engineer of the train saw obstructions on the track ahead and put on the air brakes. The train was brought almost to a stand-still before the engine ran into some ties that had been placed on the track. No damage was done.

There is no clue to the perpetrators. Henry Jackson, a negro, is in custody at New Brunswick, accused of placing obstructions on the Pennsylvania railroad track near Dean's Pond, Wednesday evening.

being the victims. The crime was discovered Wednesday.

Dr. Leach's little son, who was only eighteen months old, was found in his cradle with his throat cut.

The motive of this horrible crime appears to have been vengeance for the gold and silver jewels of the victims. Great consternation prevails. Three native have been arrested.

Prominent Man's Suicide

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YOFK, Pa., May 8.—Mechoir Helzer, a prominent citizen and father of Highway Commissioner Helzer, committed suicide in his bed early this morning by shooting himself five times. Mr. Helzer retired early last night, apparently in his usual health and the family had no suspicion of the suicide until an attempt was made this morning to awaken him.

AKRON, Ohio, May 8.—Romus Cotell, the self-confessed murderer of the Stone family at Tallmadge, six weeks ago, war arraigned to-day before common pleas Judge J. A. Kohler and pleaded not guilty. The date of the trial was not fixed, but will probably not be until the latter part of June.

Warring Factions Compromise

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PITTSBURGH. Pa., May 8.—The warring factions in the window glass workers association met to-day and effected a compromise, which will take the troubles out of court if the action is ratified, by the preceptories. The principal result of the agreement will be to have the adminstrative power of the union controlled by the preceptories instead of by the assembly as at present. It was agreed that the legal costs incurred by both factions shall be paid from the assembly funds.

A special meeting of L. A. 200 will be held on Monday to decide the fate of the compromise.

MUNCIE, Ind., May 8.—The three hundred employes at he Maring & Hort window glass works are off on another strike, having quit work last night. The reason for the action is not made Strike Broken.

MILWAUKBE, Wis., May 8.—Evening is quiet in arrest care circles to-over one hundred cars are now in vice. From present appearances back-bone of the strike is broken.

METHODISTS HAD A LIVELY TIME Over a Parliamentary Point-Confi

WOMAN QUESTION

Bobs Up Serencly Even After It

Has Been Settled.

Growing Out of a Ruling which was Finally Sustained-End of the First Week of the Great Conference at Cleve land—Resolution Against Federal Aid to Sectarian Schools is Adopted.

man question having ben disposed of by the Methodist conference there was a marked falling off in the attendance Bishop Hurst presided and the devotional exercises were con ducted by Rev. Dr. S. W. Thomas, of Philadelphia.

The woman question came up again The woman question came up again like Banquo's ghost and caused a great deal of trouble. Mr. Morris Sharp, of Ohlo, presented a resolution to excuse the women delegates in that they have relinquished their seats and that their expenses be paid to the date of their withdrawal. The resolution also called in their male reserves. Dr. Neely, of Philadelhia, presented a substitute, in which the women were invited to remain as honored guests of the conference and their expenses ordered paid. Dr. Cranston rose and asked for a ruling by the chair as to the present status of the women in the conference.

Bishop Hurst decided it was not a point of order, but was merely a maiter of interpretation for the body and ruled that Dr. Neely had the floor. Just after Dr. Neely hegan speaking, Dr. Frysinger, of Pennsylvania, appealed from the decision of the chair and Dr. Cranston's point. Bishop Hurst put the question, being on the appeal of Dr. Cransten, and great confusion existed. A motion to lay the entire matter on the table was lost by a vote of 218 nays to 109 yeas. Dr. Kynett raised the point A Half Million Dollar Policy Taken On

Cranston's point. Bishop Hurst put the question, being on the appeal of Dr. Cranston, and great confusion existed. A motion to lay the entire matter on the table was lost by a vote of 218 mays to 108 yeas. Dr. Kynett raised the point of order that the question had been improperly put, but Bishop Hurst held that Dr. Neely had the floor and Dr. Kynett appealed.

Bishop Hurst declined to entertain the appeal and a dozen men were on the floor shouting for recognition. Bishop Hurst declined to recognize any one, but pounded with his gavel and shouted: "Dr. Neely has the floor."

Dr. Leonard, Dr. Chaffe and others, loudly insisted on the appeal being put. Bishop Hurst pounded until he broke his gavel. Dr. Frysinger insisted on the appeal being put and in this he was Joined by the entire conference. Shouts to put the appeal almost drowned out the bishop's voice and the utmost confusion reigned.

Finally, forced by the conference, Bishop Hurst said he ruled that both papers were before the house and he would entertain the appeal.

In the midst of intense excitement the vote on the appeal was taken. The ruling of Bishop Hurst was sustained by a vote of 223 yeas and 204 nays. As soon as it was decided that the papers were before the house and he most violent struggle of the first week of the conference was over.

The little storm over the women question having passed over, Dr. J. M. King, of New York, presented a resolution directed against the use of federal money by the Roman Catholic church, and its reading was frequently interrupted with applause. It was unanimously adopted without discussion.

The resolution opposes the practice of sectarian appropriations for Indian education. It states that this general conference, representing the membership and constituency of the Methodist Episcopal church, reiterates its conviction that the cure for these sectarian and ecclesiantical aggressions is to be found in the adoption of the proposed sixteenth amendment to the United States constitution, drafted and promulgated by the

Cleveland Methodists asked for the establishment of an episcopal residence in this city. The colored Methodists asked for a bishop of their own and said they had a man eminently fitted for the place. They refer to Rev. Dr. J. W. E. Rowen, president of Gammon Theological Institute, of Atlanta, Ga.

The committee on temporary economy decided to submit to the conference

my decided to submit to the conference a proposition curtailing the powers of the ministers, which will probably be opposed by the latter. This is to the effect that hereafter it shall be understood that the congregations and not the ministers shall choose the local church officers. It has ben the practice to have the class leaders appointed by the ministers and in three-fourths of the churches the pastors made out the lists of who they want for stewards and trustees and they are chosen by the members. my decided to submit to the conferen

and trustees and they are chosen of the members.

Rov. Dr. Moore says the four wo-men delegates have decided not to re-ter the conference men delegates have decided not to re-sume their seats in the conference, though they are probably entitled to them. He and the other advocates of women delegates feel that they have made a long stride towards their goal in securing the vote in favor of the constitutional amendment.

African Episcopal Church.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 8.—Right Rev. Abram Grant, D. D., of Georgia, presided at the fifth day's session of the general conference of the Africa Epis-copal church. The day was spent in hearing reports of general officers.

The Southern Haptists.

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CHATTANOOGA. Tenn. May 8.—
The Southern Baptist convention was
called to order at the First Baptist
church by President Jonathan Paraison, with 761 delegates present. There
are over 4,000 visitors and delegates
present. Wilmingson, N. C., wants the
convention next time and will probably American Medical Association

American Jedical Association, ATLANTA, Ga., May 8.—The American Medical Association adjourned to meet next year in Philadelphia. The following officers were elected: Presi-dent, Dr. Nicholas S. Senn, of Illinois, first vice president, Dr. George M. Sternberg, of the United States army, second vice president. Dr. Edmund sternorg, or the United States army, second vice president, Dr. Kämund Souchon, of Louisiana; third vice president, Dr. K. D. Thomas, of Pornsylvania; fourth vice president, W. T. Westmoreland, of Georgia; transurer H. P. Newman; assistant secretary, Dr. T. F. Sneidman, of Ponnsylvania; for librarian, Dr. George W. Webster of Illinois; chairman of committee on

ryivania, Trustees.—Dr. G. C. Savage, of Ten-pessee; Dr. E. E. Montgomery, Dr. J. M. Matthews, of Kentucky, and Dr. C. A. L. Reed, of Ohlo.

A NOVEL CELEBRATION.

Trades Display on its Eighth Anniver sary, May 21 - Reception in the Evening. Welcome Lodge No. 6, A, O. U. W., boasts of being the largest lodge of any

boasts of being the largest lodge of any secret organization in this city. Its membership foots up 361. Of this membership fully 100 are members of business firms in Wheeling. Becently whon the lodge was discussing plans for celebrating its eighth anniversary, which comes on Thursday, May 21, it was suggested that a Truder display be a feature of the celebration. A committee to work up the matter, composed of Messrs. W. O. McCluskey, S. A. Kepner and Charles Dowler, was appainted. Yesterday this committee decided that the celebration shall include the proposed display, and they are now engaged in securing the promises of the 100 firms in the lodge to participate. Last evening over eighty firms had signed the paper that was being circulated by the committee, insuring the success of the affair.

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The tradecs display will take place in the afternoon and the line of march will include the principal streets of the city. The Opera House band has been secured to furnish the music. Various firms are now engaged in getting up novel displays for the occasion. One of the most notable will be that of the LaBelle iron works, which is promised to be original and elaborate.

In the evening there will be a reception to the ladies of the lodge at A. O. U. W. hall, which will be very elaborate. This feature will be confined to the members of the lodge and their families.

a Week Before His Death. PITTSBURGH, Pa. May 8.—Hamil-ton Disaton. of Philadelphia, a few weeks before his sudden death, had in weeks before his sudden death, had in-creased the amount of his life insurance \$600,000. A representative of the com-pany that loses by the transaction was in the city yesterday and confirms this statement. While apparently in the prime of health he made the necessary application for the half million addi-

application for the half million addiditional policy. The application was
formally accepted by the executive officers and referred to the officials at Philadelphia. Mr. Dieston in the meanwhile underwent the customary physical examination.

"It was quite a shock in insurance
circles, therfore," continued the gentleman, "when the sudden demise of Mr.
Disston occurred only a few weeks
afterward. An autopsy revealed that he
had been afflicted with heart disease for
some time."

The company's agent was positive no
litigation would follow the death of Mr.
Disston and believes that to an error
is due the present difficulty. The Disston family, consisting of wife, brother
and son, are all heavily innsured, and
with that of the deceased the total will

R. C. Dun & Co.'s Review of Busine

NEW YORK, May 8.-R. G. Dun & sues to-morow, will say:

That exports of \$3.550.000 gold this week have produced on monetary disturbance, is at once proof of the soundness of financial conditions and of the prevailing confidences in better things

prevailing confidences in better things to come.

Much of the hesitation at present is due to temporarily reduced demand in some industries, and in iron and sixed the power of the new combination is being generally tested by refusal of orders so that production exceeds consumption, but consumption exceeds new buying. The general irregularity of prices and slackness of demand for finished products do not prevent the marking up of prices by combinations, but are largely due to doubt whether such prices as are fixed can be maintained. Pig iron is weaker at the east and also at Pittsburgh, and most finished products are weak, with remarkable narrow demand. Minor metals are liactive with copper weak, in steady and

lead slightly lower, and American pates 30c below foreign.

Traders in wheat have lifted prices a little and yet nobody questions the correctness of western reports indicating more than ordinary for yield of winter wheat and unusual progress in planting of spring wheat. After a fail to 68½c, the price rose about 2c. Corn. is also a shade lower, but without definite reason.

reason.
Failures for the week have been 238 in the United States against 227 last year, and 24 in Canada against 34 last

THE IRON TRADE

No Satisfactory Conditions Vet.-Besseme

CLEVELAND, O., May 8.-The Iron Trade Review this iron trade still finds no satisfactory answer to the inquiry continually go-ing up, as to when and by what agency the long awaited activity is to be brought about. Much is said about the bronght about. Much is said about the price agreement in various branches of of the trade as causes of the halt, but there are ovidences that most of the waiting is for an emphatic expression, which the business world expects will soon be made, of the determination to embody protection and sound, money in the coung revenue and fiscal legislation of the government.

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keeping out of the market buyers who need ore. Some whose bear y purchase of 1885 will keep supplied for several months are not yet ready to buy. Similarly the steel billet agreement does not prevent buyers from coming into the market for such material as they need; its effect is to bring customers to the end of their low pricel raw material at about the zame time. After which more liberal buying on the new basis may be expected.

Gidron's Weekly Balletin.

PHILADELPHIA. May 7.— The weekly bulletin of Chalman Gideon, of the racing board of the LA W. fasued vesterday is as follows. Transferred to professions. class: H. S. Hale, of Denver, own request: C. D. Collins, Donver, own request: C. D. Lall, Denver; Sydney J. Harvey, New Haven, Conn., own request: L. B. Sawyer, Hartwell, Ohio, own request; Charles F. Schultz, Cincinnati, own request; C. R. Coulter, San Francisco, own request; Walter F. Foster, San Francisco, own request; Robert L. Long, San Francisco, own request; Herbert R. McCrea, Los Angoles, Cal., under clause A: Tom Butler, Cambridgeport, Mass., own request; E. J. Smith, Colorado Springs, Col., own request. Gidron's Weekly Bulletin

For competing in unsanction the following are mapended track racing for thirty days for 29: Joe Turner and H. Hayden, Tex.; B. Turner, A. Leved-Knowian McLain, Larsdo, Tex

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CECIL RHODES

Is Lauded for Past Services by Mr. Chamberlain.

BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS

Scandal Growing Out of It-Sir William Vernon Harcourt Reviews the Incident and Interrogates the Government-Mr. Chamberlain Makes Reply in which He Says Rhodes Should be Dealt with Leni-

ons was crowded this afternoon and the peers' gallery was packed, this gathering of interested people being due to the fact that the vote on the colonial estimates was to be taken and that it was to be made the occasion of an important exchange of questions and answers upon South African affairs. United States Ambassador Bayard was among those present

The Liberal leader, Sir William Harcourt, asked the government to make a statement regarding the raid into the Transvaal. In so doing he said that the opposition had heretofore not unduly pressed the government on this im-portant matter, but they thought that the time had now arrived for the house to be informed of the government's intention in the case. The responsible di-rectors of the British Chartered South

revolting than low slang of the cipner grams which showed the true aspect of the affair.

Sir William Harcourt then proceeded to analyze the telegrams exchanged between Ccell Rhodes, Colonel Rhodes, Rutherford Harris, Alfred Belt, Lionel Phillips, Dr. Jameson and others, just torevious to the invasion of the territory of the South African republic.

Later the opposition leader eulogized the promptness, decision and courage of the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, and dwelt upon the course of the chartered company, declaring that it compromised Great Britain's reputation.

Mr. Chamberlain, replying to Sir William Harcourt, said that while Cecil Rhodes' recent actions are universally condemned, his past services musit each to forgotten. But for Englishmen like Rhodes, English history would be much poorer and the British dominions will

condemned, his past services have be forgotten. But for Englishmen like Rhodes, English history would be much poorer and the British dominions will be much smaller (Applause.)

With the view of removing every shadow of suspicion the government had refused to advise the chartered company relative to Mr. Rhodes' resignation. company relative to Mr. Anotes teaguration.

Mr. Chamberlain further said that the government believed the proper course to follow would be that a joint committee of both houses should inquire into the whole situation, including the administration of the British Chartered South Africa Company.

The Rurden Diamond Robbers to be Re turned to New York.
LONDON, May 8.—The extradition of William Turner and William Dunlop, who were arrested here on the charge of having stolen jewelry valued at \$60,000 from Mr. I. Townsend Burden, of New York, was granted at the Bow

street police court to-day by the chief magistrate, Sir John Bridge. John D. Lindsay, assistant district John D. Lindsay, assistant district attorney of New York, ast on-the bench beside Sir John Bridge, and Mr. and Mrs. Burden and Detective Sargeant Frank Avenhoe, the special agent appointed by Governor Morton to bring Turner and Dunlop back to the United States, were present in court.

Counsel for Turner tried to show that his client did not know of the robbery and that Dunlop was really the guilty man. The magistrate, however, overruled this plea and granted the extradition of the prisoners. Counsel for Dunlop said he did not desire to address the court.

As to the reward offered for the re-

covery of the Jewelry, concerning the right to which a question has arisen between the Scotland yard men and Streeter, the Bond street jeweler to whom some of the stolen stones were offered. Mr. Burden said to-day that the matter would be settled in New York when he obtained possession of the towels. the jewels.

SENTENCED FOR LIFE. One of the Boy Trainwreckers so Sene ed-Others Get Forty Years Each ROME, N. Y., May 8.-J. Watson Hildreth, the boy train wrecker, received a life sentence to-day. His com-panions. Plate and Hibbard, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree and were sentenced to twenty years' improisonment on two indict-ments, or forty years in all. None of the boys are over eighteen years of

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These boys and another named Fred Bristol, who has since died of consumption, were accused of planning to wreck a New York Central express train for the purpose of robbing the passengers. The affair occurred last November, the place selected for the crime being near Rome. The engineer of the train was billed and the fireman was so badly injured that he is only new able to leave theh ospital. A clerk of the railway mail service was also severely hurt.

The clue to the perpetrators was a hat belonging to young Hildreth, which was found near the wreck. None of the lade was more than eighteen years of age, and except in the case of one of them, their parents were well-to-do people.

New York-Normannia, Hamburg; Pa-ia, Hamburg. Boston-Petuvian, Glasgow. Southampton-Aller, New York, for

ilasgow-Assyrian, Philadelphia Averpool-Laurentian, Portland. Wenther Porecast for To-day.

for West Virgini, fair; warmer; south-sterly winds, or Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, r; light to fresh southwesterly winds. Incal Temperature.

The temperature yesterday as observed
y C. Schnept, drugsist, corner Fourcenth and Market streets, was as fol-